

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

Matthew Steinbach,

Petitioner

v.

Warden Terry Royal, *et al.*,

Respondents

Case No.: 2:25-cv-00726-JAD-MDC

**Order Instructing the Petitioner to Submit
an IFP Application or Pay Filing Fee**

[ECF No. 1]

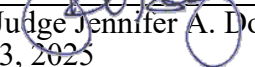
Pro se Petitioner Matthew Steinbach filed his 28 U.S.C. § 2254 petition for writ of habeas corpus¹ and neither paid the required \$5.00 filing fee nor submitted a complete application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* (“IFP”).² This action will not proceed unless and until Steinbach either pays the \$5 filing fee or submits a complete IFP application with all required documentation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Steinbach must either (1) **pay** the \$5 filing fee **or** (2) **file** an IFP application that includes: (a) a financial certificate signed by petitioner and an authorized prison official, (b) a financial declaration and acknowledgement signed by petitioner, and (c) a copy of his inmate account statement for the six-month period prior to filing. If he fails to do so by **July 7, 2025, this case will be dismissed without prejudice and without further prior notice.** If Steinbach decides to pay the filing fee from his inmate account, he must arrange to have a copy of this order attached to the check for the filing fee.

¹ ECF No. 1-1.

² Under 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a) and the Judicial Conference Schedule of Fees, a \$5.00 filing fee is required to initiate a habeas action in a federal district court. The court may authorize an indigent prisoner to begin a habeas action without paying the \$5 fee if he submits an IFP application on the approved form. 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a); LSR 1-1, LSR 1-2.

1 The Clerk of Court is instructed to **send** petitioner a blank copy of the IFP application for
2 inmates along with two copies of this order.

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U.S. District Judge Jennifer A. Dorsey
5 Dated: May 23, 2025
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